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To Whom It May Concern:

In view of the fact that practice for the 1970 football season starts in 38 days, I, as well as the whole football team would like to know who will be our coach. I feel that the School Board should have named a new coach long before now. But, it has put it off until the very last possible moment. It will be very difficult for the football team to adjust to a new coach in such a short time. I wish that the School Board had stopped to think about the problems it would be creating for the football team before making such a big mistake.

A mistake because it seems the School Board failed to consider how important it is that a team play under the coach with whom it is familiar. For two years I have been looking forward to this upcoming season. This was the year that everything would come around. I feel that the players have the experience, ability, and the desire to play for an undefeated season. Coach Bragg had even talked about it and seemed eager to coach and be a part of it.

After all, Coach Bragg did build the team and make it what it is. Is this the reward he gets for it? It's like cheating somebody out of something that they worked for and giving it to somebody else. I have played for Coach Bragg and I agree that he is a man that likes to win. If he wasn't, he wouldn't be a good coach, Coach Bragg demands respect, and he gets it; you can't play for a man you don't respect.

If the School Board is still hunting for a coach, on behalf of the team who wants Coach Bragg back, I ask the School Board to reconsider its decision.

Sincerely,
Steve Wilson

BECKHAM

June 23 – The Bethel Trinity Vacation Bible School Commencement Exercises were held at Trinity Church Sunday evening.

Mrs. Fannie Crews was Sunday dinner guest of Miss Virginia Matthews, Miss Jessie Matthews, Mr. Ward Crews and Mr. Charles Crews. Sunday afternoon they visited Mr. Peter Matthews and family of Buckingham and also attended the air show at Farmville Airport.

Mrs. Clyde Moore and Mrs. Jimmy Guill spent the week end with Mr. H. O. Martin. His family was present on Sunday with picnic lunh.

Mrs. Gibbs Martin visited Mr. Eugene Drinkard of Lynchburg recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Moore and Timmy and Mrs. Marvin Moore, Roger Lee, Randy, Ida and Tony enjoyed picnic lunch at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mundy Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Watts Moore and family on Sunday.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs Martin were Mr and Mrs. Herbert Moore, Jr. Mr. Larry Moore, Miss Linda Bryant, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Maxwell and Kim, Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Carter and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Moore and boys, Mrs. Geraldine Moore and girls and Michelle Tweedy. Those visiting in the afternoon were Mr. M. G. Martin, Jr., Tammy and Mrs. Alvin Reynolds, Mrs. L. E. Martin, Mrs. Charles Tweedy and Tracey and Miss Judy Burge.

Bernadette Martin is spending this week with Debbie Moore.

Mrs. Herman Moore, Mrs. Howlett Drinkard, Miss Eunice Martin, Mrs. Robert Morris and Mrs. S. G. Martin visited Mrs. H. C. Moore in Lynchburg General Hospital Sunday.

Miss Gay Honeycutt is visiting Carolyn Jo Morris for several days this week.

Mr. E. C. Tutwiler Jr. was dinner guest of Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Tutwiler III and family Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Everette Martin and E. W., Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Burge, Judy and Ricky Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tweedy and Tracey were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Martin.

Mrs. Mary Burge, Paul and Mrs. R. E. Mays were present for a birthday party honoring Robert Burge at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burge of Bedford Saturday night. Others present were many of his relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Goff, Alice and Brenda and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Burge visited Mrs Mary Burge and Paul Burge Sunday. Mrs. Harold Phelps and sons and Mrs. Joseph Mays visited in this home on Monday.

STONEWALL

Whoso trusteth in the Lord, happy is he. Proverbs 16:20.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Trent and daughters of Charlottesville spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Bondurant.

We were so sorry to lose our dear friend Mrs. Betty Walker Anderson who was known to have done many good deeds in her day. They will never be forgotten. We wish to extend deepest sympathy to her 3 lovely daughters.

Mr. and M. P. Alvis Jr. spent Father's Day with Mr. and Mrs. Matthews at Orange, Va.

Mr. Jim Herndon is improving.

Mr. Hubert Scruggs is still in bed sick.

Mrs. Eloise Caldwell spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Caldwell. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harris spent Saturday with them.

Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Wheeler and Mrs. Elsie Caldwell went to Petersburg Saturday to visit their sister, Mrs. Step Spencer, who is in Petersburg General Hospital. She is improving I am glad to report.

Mr. Josh Alvis spent several days last week with his sister, Mrs. Irby Wheeler. Last week his wife was in the hospital. Glad to say she came home Saturday.

The wedding bells are beginning to ring around Hebron. Can you hear them.

Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Wheeler were guests of Salem Church Sunday night to a picnic. A nice crowd was present and food was delicious. Thanks for having us.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Longand family and Mr. Steve Long from Alabama are visiting here with Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Wheeler.

Tent Revival

A tent revival is being held each evening at 8:45 p.m. at Vera by the Rev. Roy Huff, of Charlottesville. The public is invited.

Pastor Speaks

Say . . . Should You Be "Court–Martialed"?

Heb. 10:25

A minister once asked a G.I. to give a few words of testimony. The congregation had just sung, "Like a mighty army moves the Church of God," so when the young soldier arose he said, "You might have been able to sing that hymn some years ago without anyone challenging you, but now millions of men know exactly how an army does move. And it doesn't operate the way a lot of you do.

"Supposed the military accepted the lame excuses you present as an alibi for not attending services. Imagine this if you can . . . Reveille sounds, and the squads form on parade ground. The Sergeant barks out, "Count off! One, two three . . . say, number four is mission. Where's Private Smith?" "Oh," says a chap nearby, "Mr Smith was too sleepy to get up this morning. He was out last night and needed the rest. He said to tell you he would be with you in spirit." "That's fine," says the sergeant, 'remember me to him. But where is Brown?' "Oh, he's playing golf. He gets only one day a week for recreation, and you know how important that is." "Sure, sure", says the sergeant cheerfully, "I hope he has a good game. Where's Robinson?" 'Robinson,' explains the buddy, 'is sorry not to greet you in person but he is entertaining guests today. Besides he was a t drill last week.' "Thank you," says the sergeant smiling. "Tell him he is welcome any time he finds it convenient to drop in for drill."

Honestly, folks, did a conversation like that every happen in any army? Why, if any G.I. tried to pull that stuff, he would get 20 days in the brig! Yet, you hear things like that every week in Church. "Like a mighty army!" "Why, if this church really moved like a mighty army, a lot of folks would be court - martialed within the hour!"

Christian, read Hebrews 10: 25 again and then ask yourself, "Should I be court - martialed?"

Rev. Earnie Lucas, Pastor
Bible Baptist Church
Appomattox, Virginia

Franklin L. Burke

Receives Promotion

Mr. Franklin L. Burke, (Frank Leigh), son of Mr. and Mrs Wm W. Burke, has been promoted to Assistant Vice President by The Fulton National Bank of Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. Burke joined the staff of The Fulton in January of 1967, participating immediately in the Bank's Management Training Program, and at the conclusion of one year was assigned to the Branch Division. He was made an Assistant Cashier in September 1968.

In November 1969 he was transferred to the Bank's Main Office, attached to the Commercial Loan Division, also serving as Management Liaison Officer for the Bank's Training Program. His promotion to Assistant Vice President was announced in May 1970.

Mr. Burke was graduated Magna Cum Laude from Oglethorpe College, Atlanta, Ga., in 1966. He is married to the former Eleanor Dawson Sledge of Atlanta, where they presently reside with their daughter.

BIRTHDAY

Grace Cunningham . . . June 27

THE BIBLE SPEAKS

BY LAWRENCE W. ALTHOUSE

A VISION OF HOPE

Lesson for June 28, 1970

Background Scripture: Revelation 21 through 22:5.
Devotional Reading: 1 Peter 5:6-11.

"Why study a bunch of old visions, anyhow?"

This was the response of a high school youth confronted with the prospect of studying the Book of Revelation in a church school class. After all, he reasoned, these visions talk about the distant future and we are busy enough with the present!

Yet, just as the past has served to shape the present, what we do now can be greatly affected by what we expect of the future. And people do wonder about the future. Among the questions they ask are these:

1. Will our world go on unendingly, or will it someday be brought to a close?

2. In what direction is the world heading? Is it getting "better" or "worse?" Is it staying the same?

3. Will Christianity be undisputedly vindicated at some point in the future? Will "good" be triumphant once and for all over "evil?"

4. Will there be a day of reckoning for each of us?

A New Heaven and Earth

It is to questions such as these that the Book of Revelation is addressed. People in Bible times also wondered about the future and needed an assurance to buttress their hope. In looking at John's visions it is important that we do not get hung-up on the details of his visions, but that we concentrate on the message behind those details.

For example he speaks of "a new heaven and a new earth." This is an expression of faith that indicates that God will transform the world so that it eventually fulfills the purpose for which he made it. Today it is a far cry from what God intends it to be, but we believe it will some day be a far different world, a world so different that it will seem a "new world." This will happen, not because "day after day" man simply will get "better and better in every way," but because God is moving this world along toward that goal.

John also saw a vision of a "New Jerusalem." Jerusalem was for the Jew the center of all his religious hopes. It had been destroyed a number of times by enemies and had been rebuilt again. The Jews remembered with pride the beautiful temple that had once stood in the midst of the city and looked forward to that day when it would be there again. They also believed that when God's plan was fully accomplished, people from all nations would look to the temple in Jerusalem as the center for the worship of God.

At the Center: Christ

John saw the coming of a new Jerusalem, but it is something rather different than a city which is restored. Far above any human city will be the person of Christ. What this means for us is that whatever the future may hold for the world in which we live, Christ will be at the center of it. It means that that which we have partially experienced in this world will be perfectly and completely experienced in this new existance. This is what John means when he said: "Now we see only the puzzling reflections in a mirror but then we shall see face to face. My knowledge now is partial; then it will be whole. ." (NEB 1 Corinthian 13:12).

With this hope of the future within him the Christian can draw power to live in the present. Though life may seem to ride roughshod over him, though he may have to taste again and again the bitterness of seeming defeat, he can still be a conqueror: "He who conquers shall have this heritage, and I will be his God and he shall be my son" (Revelation 21:7). We are like soldiers who fall wounded in a battle what we know will eventually be won by our side. We can accept these wounds because we are secure in our knowledge of victory.

It is the vision of our hope for the future that makes us truly unconquerable in the here and now of the present.

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...those who are planning for the ...garden - beets, broccoli, ...cauliflower, snaps, ...tomatoes and green ...be planted by mid-July. Sweet corn can still be planted -- watch maturity dates to avoid frost injury.

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Pastures are going back rapidly. Beef cattlemen may want to consider creep feeding the calves. Generally we do not recommend creep feeding with good pastures as the expected gain is only about a tenth of a pound per day. However, during a drought, creep feeding adds pounds and will pay.

The ration should contain 12 percent crude protein. Locate the feeders near shade and water.

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Sevin has been cleared for use on tobacco for control of budworms, flea bettles, grasshoppers, and hornworms.

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PRECIPITATION:
Last Week 35
This Month 70
This Year 12.63

Farm Bureau News

Mrs. R. K. Martin, a delegate from the State Homemaker's Committee, Virginia Farm Bureau Federation, left Tuesday by plane for Niagara Falls, N. Y. to attend the 32nd annual meeting of the Country Women's Council. Miss Betty Walters, of the State Women's Committee of Richmond will also attend. They will be joined by the delegation of the Virginia Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs, led by their president, Mrs. C. Wade Ferguson in issuring an invitation for the C. W. C. to meet in Virginia in 1971.

The. C.W.C. – U.S.A. unites the efforts of four major women's organizations in the U. S. membership consist of American Farm Bureau Federation Women's Committee, National Extension Homemaker's Council, National Master Farm Homemaker's Guild, and the Women's National Farm and Garden Association – 83 State units of these organizations and was in dependent organizations.

Annual meetings enable members societies of C.W.C. to pool their judgement and coordinate their efforts . The session in Niagara Falls will review A.C.W.W. structure and functions. Present projects will be evaluated and future ones discussed.

Before returning, Mrs. Martin and Miss Walters will take a Canadian Tour.

27 Years Between Crops

by J. A. Smith

Competition among Dark Fire Cured Tobacco growers isn't completely dead.

Percy Thompson is growing five acres of tobacco this year. So far he's had very little help and there won't be until harvest time.

Until five years ago Thompson was employed off the farm in various activities. Then he took over a crop in mid-year and as he tells it, "It got me started again." There had been 27 years between the two crops.

While visiting with Thompson last week he went to great length to describe how he expected this crop to beat some of the better growers. He's "setting his crop" for the likes of Walter Moore, Jack Martin, and Carter Martin.

It's all friendly competition but still it's serious competition.

When this reporter told Moore that Thompson was out to beat him this year, Moore said, "Shucks, I averaged nearly as much on my 169 crop as he got for his best pile.

Thompson is, of course, quite proud of the tobacco that brought 85¢, just enough to top Riley Megginson, another good grower.

Two varieties are being grown on the Thompson farm this year, Virginia 321 and Kentucky 170. The Kentucky 170 is pictured here.

HIGH SHOOTER

Parris Island, S.C. -- Marine Private First Class Everett T. Hendricks, of Appomattox, Va. was named high shooter of his platoon during a recruit graduation ceremony at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S. C.

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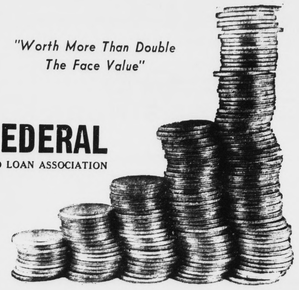

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